

January 4, 2005

Mr. Neil E. Thompson US EPA Region X 1200 Sixth Avenue – ECL-113 Seattle, WA 98101



Re: December Monthly Report

Dear Mr. Thompson:

This letter serves as the monthly progress report for December 2004, in accordance with Section X, Paragraph 29 of the RD/RA Consent Decree for the Kerr-McGee Chemical LLC (KMC LCC) site in Soda Springs, Idaho.

December Activities

During the month of December, KMC LLC reviewed results from the second round of semiannual ground and surface water sampling. Two Point of Compliance wells, KM-5 and KM-9 have now fallen below the risk-based concentration for molybdenum. All of the October 2004 results will be reviewed in conjunction with existing data, validated and reported to you once the process is completed.

KMC LLC inspected the calcine cap, landfill, 10-acre pond, and reclaimed stormwater pond sites. The 10-acre raffinate pond is maintaining a level of about 12 inches of water. The fenced enclosures surrounding the facilities are in good condition. The gates are closed and locked. The landfill is no longer accessible as the result of freezing winter conditions which do not allow access through the gate. KMC LLC will pump from the landfill sump to a concrete holding tank as required in the future.

December/January Activities

NOLUNTARY PROTECTION IN THE 90'S

During the months of January and February, KMC LLC will continue on-going monitoring of the cap, landfill and 10-acre pond. The results of the October sampling will be reviewed, validated, and appended to the RD/RA database following validation. KMC LLC will also provide you with as-built documentation of the 5-acre pond cleanup and reclamation work when the report is completed.



There are no community relation activities planned for this reporting period.

Problems or Delays

No delays are expected.

If you have any questions about the work or additional information is required with regards to the work described above, please contact me at (208) 547-3331, extension 230.

Sincerely,

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